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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 15, 2007 REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner:

Responsive to the final Office action dated October 15, 2007, the interview with Examiner Nguyen that took place on November 5, 2007, and the Interview Summary. mailed November 11, 2007, please re-examine and reconsider the above-identified application according to the remarks provided in this paper.

No claim amendments are filed herein.

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